

UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the Tuskegee Airmen established in 1941 were trailblazers of civil rights and an historic source of pride in the United States of America and the state of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, over the past sixty-five (65) years these stellar men have continuously given to our community by standing as beacons of light, teaching generations of people about dedication and perseverance; and

WHEREAS, the Tuskegee Airmen became expert pilots, mechanics and engineers, who showed us how to pursue our dreams and fulfill our potential even in the face of extreme intolerance; and

WHEREAS, through their sacrifice the airmen helped protect and preserve our nation and the freedoms we enjoy against the despots of World War II; and

WHEREAS, the airmen, Lt. Col. Charles “A-Train” Dryden and the Atlanta Chapter of Tuskegee Airmen Inc., all exhibited dignity and poise even in the face of abject racism and bigotry; and

WHEREAS the U.S. Representative of the Fourth District of Georgia wishes to honor and recognize the Tuskegee Airmen for their outstanding service to our County, State and Community;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Henry C. “Hank” Johnson, Jr. do hereby proclaim Saturday, February 14, 2009 as

Tuskegee Airmen Day

in the 4th Congressional District.

PROCLAIMED, THIS 14th day of February 2009.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hank Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Henry C. “Hank” Johnson, Jr.
Member of Congress